

REMARKS

The specification has been amended to correct errors of a typographical and grammatical nature. Due to the number of corrections thereto, applicants submit herewith a Substitute Specification, along with a marked-up copy of the original specification for the Examiner's convenience. The substitute specification includes the changes as shown in the marked-up copy and includes no new matter. Therefore, entry of the Substitute Specification is respectfully requested.

The abstract has also been amended to more clearly describe the features of the present invention.

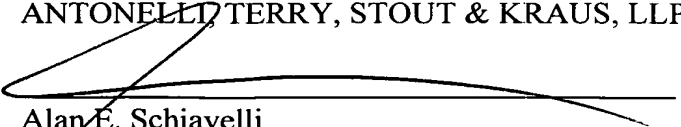
Also submitted herewith is a proposed amendment to the drawings, wherein Fig. 1, 7, 11 and 13 have been amended at this time. Upon receipt of the approval of the amendment to the drawings and receipt of a Notice of Allowance, the proposed drawing corrections will be effected in accordance with present practice.

Entry of the preliminary amendments and examination of the application is respectfully requested.

To the extent necessary, applicant's petition for an extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136. Please charge any shortage in the fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account No. 01-2135 (503.40902X00) and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

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~~To a plate 50, a~~ A flange 52b is provided on a plate by bending the plate, a the flange 52 being substantially orthogonal ~~substantially~~ to the flange 52b and ~~provided bending the~~ plate, and a recessed portion ~~except for a flange, where the flange is missing, is provided~~ between two flanges ~~are provided~~. ~~To a plate 60, a~~ A flange 62c is provided by bending the another plate, and a raised portion is provided which ~~protruded~~ protrudes from a parallel side 62b to a flange 62c at an end portion ~~in a longitudinal direction of the flange 62c and a~~ vicinity of the end portion ~~are provided~~. An end portion ~~in a longitudinal direction of the~~ flange 52c and ~~the end portion in the longitudinal direction of the~~ flange 62c are abutted, and ~~further an end portion of the plate 60 is abutted to an outer side of a~~ the circular arc portion of the flange 52b from the plate. The raised portion is ~~inserted and~~ abutted to the recessed portion, and ~~the~~ respective abutted portions are welded. ~~In a case where~~ Where two plates in which a flange is provided by bending the plate are intended to ~~a welding~~ be welded, ~~an~~ the occurrence of a space in a welding portion can be prevented.

~~{Selection Figure}~~ Fig. 116